

## TOP-OF-THE-LINE HANDHELD MICROPHONES, AT A GLANCE

COMPANY; WEBSITE	MODEL	TYPE	PATTERN	MSRP	NOTES
AKG; www.akk.com	C5	condenser	cardioid	\$299	removable presence-boost adapter
AKG	D7	dynamic	supercardioid	\$239	also offered as \$259 D7 LTD (limited edition with chrome finish)
AKG	C 535	condenser	cardioid	\$499	LF roll-off and pad switches
Audio-Technica; www.audio-technica.com	AE5400	condenser	cardioid	\$529	same capsule as the AT4050 studio mic; has HPF and pad switches
Audio-Technica	AE3300	condenser	cardioid	\$429	same capsule as the AT4033 studio mic; has HPF and pad switches
Audio-Technica	AE6100	dynamic	hypercardioid	\$289	
Audio-Technica	AE4100	dynamic	cardioid	\$289	
Audix; www.audixusa.com	VX10	condenser	cardioid	\$599	VX10-lo low-output version also available
Audix	VX5	condenser	supercardioid	\$299	10dB pad and LF roll-off switches
Audix	OM7	dynamic	hypercardioid	\$349	
Audix	OM6	dynamic	hypercardioid	\$329	
Audix	OM5	dynamic	hypercardioid	\$265	
Beyerdynamic; www.beyerdynamic.com	M88 TG	dynamic	hypercardioid	\$499	rugged TourGroup version of classic M88
Beyerdynamic	M160	ribbon	hypercardioid	\$799	dual ribbon transducer provides hypercardioid response
Beyerdynamic	M260	ribbon	hypercardioid	\$499	dual ribbon transducer provides hypercardioid response
Beyerdynamic	TG X80	dynamic	hypercardioid	\$379	also offered in switchable version (TG 81)
Blue; www.bluemic.com	enCORE 200	dynamic	cardioid	\$149	
Blue	enCORE 300	condenser	cardioid	\$199	
CAD; www.cadmics.com	C195	condenser	cardioid	\$199	transformerless design
CAD	D189	dynamic	supercardioid	\$169	high-output neodymium magnet
Crown; www.crownaudio.com	CM200A	condenser	cardioid	\$448	CM-200ASW switched version available
Earthworks; www.earthworksaudio.com	SR20	condenser	cardioid	\$765	removable windscreen converts mic to instrumental use
Electro-Voice; www.electrovoice.com	N/D967	dynamic	supercardioid	\$322	high-output neodymium magnet
Electro-Voice	RE510	condenser	supercardioid	\$322	LF roll-off switch
Electro-Voice	RE410	condenser	cardioid	\$322	
Equation Audio; www.equationaudio.com	DS.V11	dynamic	cardioid	\$239	high-output neodymium magnet
Equation Audio	DS.V10	dynamic	supercardioid	\$229	
Equation Audio	DS.V9	condenser	cardioid	\$199	
Groove Tubes; www.groovetubes.com	Convertible	condenser	hypercardioid	\$149	ball windscreen removes for instrumental miking
Groove Tubes	Hardtop	condenser	hypercardioid	\$129	
Heil Sound; www.heilsound.com	PR 35	dynamic	cardioid	\$249	3-position bass roll-off switch
Heil Sound	PR 22	dynamic	cardioid	\$165	high-output neodymium magnet
Heil Sound	PR 20	dynamic	cardioid	\$150	also available in white/red/pink body versions for \$179
M-Audio; www.m-audio.com	Aries	condenser	cardioid	\$199	
Milab; www.milabmic.com	LSR-3000	condenser	cardioid	\$885	transformerless; 80Hz HP filter and -12dB pad switches
Milab	LSR-1000	condenser	cardioid	\$525	transformerless design
Neumann; www.neumannusa.com	KMS 140	condenser	cardioid	\$2,098	switchable HPF and -10dB pad
Neumann	KMS 150	condenser	hypercardioid	\$2,098	switchable HPF and -10dB pad
Neumann	KMS 105	condenser	supercardioid	\$998	available in black or silver finishes
Neumann	KMS 104	condenser	cardioid	\$998	also available in KMS 104 "plus" version with extended LF response
Pearl; www.pearl.se	TLC 90	condenser	cardioid	\$503	
Peavey; www.peavey.com	PVM22	dynamic	cardioid	\$199	high-output neodymium magnet
RØDE; www.rodemic.com	M1	dynamic	cardioid	\$199	lifetime warranty
RØDE	M2	condenser	supercardioid	\$299	locking on/off switch
RØDE	S1	condenser	supercardioid	\$329	available in nickel or black
Roland; www.roland.com	DR-50	dynamic	hypercardioid	\$149	locking on/off switch
Samson; www.samsontech.com	CO5	condenser	cardioid	\$112	
Samson	Q8	dynamic	supercardioid	\$129	high-output neodymium magnet
Schoeps; www.schoeps.de	CMH-641U	condenser	supercardioid	\$2,000	available in matte gray or nickel
Schoeps	CMH-64U	condenser	cardioid	\$1,975	available in matte gray or nickel
Sennheiser; www.sennheiserusa.com	e 965	condenser	multi*	\$1,050	*switchable cardioid/supercardioid patterns; HP filter and -10dB pad
Sennheiser	e 865	condenser	supercardioid	\$405	
Sennheiser	e 935	dynamic	cardioid	\$250	high-output neodymium magnet
Sennheiser	e 945	dynamic	supercardioid	\$330	
Shure; www.shure.com	KSM9	condenser	multi*	\$850	*switchable cardioid/supercardioid patterns; Class-A preamp circuitry
Shure	Beta 87A	condenser	supercardioid	\$462	
Shure	Beta 87C	condenser	cardioid	\$462	
Shure	Beta 58A	dynamic	supercardioid	\$300	high-output neodymium magnet
Shure	SM86	condenser	cardioid	\$300	
Sontronics; www.sontronics.com	STC-6	condenser	cardioid	\$219	switchable HP filter and -10dB pad
Sontronics	STC-80	dynamic	cardioid	\$159	
Superlux; www.avlex.com	PRO-238MKII	condenser	cardioid	\$198	1-inch gold-plated diaphragm; internal 100Hz HPF switch
Telefunken; www.telefunken-elektroakustik.com	M 80	dynamic	cardioid	\$279	\$319 Studio Set version includes wooden box, and black and silver grilles
Violet Design; www.violetusa.com	Grand Pearl	condenser	cardioid	\$999	Class-A, discrete transformerless electronics
Violet Design	Pearl Vocal	condenser	wide cardioid*	\$959	*supercardioid at higher frequencies; avail. in gray/white/violet/red finishes